

Amendments to the Specification

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This application is the National Stage of Application No. PCT/EP2004/011122, filed on October 5, 2004, which claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/508,973, filed October 6, 2003. The contents of both are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.

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Abstract

The invention provides biomarkers for the prediction of diarrhoea based upon the gene expression of certain genes by the subject, the expression of the Diego blood type by the subject, or the results of haematological assays.